

The Dept. of Transportation's proposed "system of records" is poorly thought out. Rather than justifying the need to collect the huge amount of information on citizens that they want, they simply request exemption from the Privacy Act. American citizens expect better from their government. It is fundamental to our constitution that we are not required to trust our government--that's why the system of checks and balances is there. Hurried attempts to deal with the present situation must be done within the law--in this case the Privacy Act.